



THOMAS TOWNSHIP
REGULAR PARK COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609
December 18, 2023
6:30pm

1. The regular commission meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman, Scott Branch.
2. PRESENT: Branch, Sova, Hoffman, Aimar, Blower,
ABSENT: Rusch, Alworden

ALSO PRESENT: Parks & Recreation Director, John Corriveau; Nature Center & Preserve Director, Lynda Thayer.

3. Pledge of Allegiance recited.
4. Motion made by Hoffman, seconded by Aimar, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of November 27, 2023 minutes
6. Approval of December 2023 Expenditures
7. Public Comment
It is requested that you state your name and address for the record.
8. New Business
 - a. None
9. Old Business
 - a. Winter Wonderland report
10. Reports
 - A. Parks Report: Attached

- B. Nature Center and Preserve Report: Attached
- C. Sports Committee Report: None
- D. Concert Committee Report: None
- E. Finance Committee Report: None
- F. Commissioners:

- 11. Other Business
- 12. Adjournment

- 5. Motion made by Sova, seconded by Hoffman, to approve November 27, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Motion made by Hoffman, seconded by Sova, to approve December 2023 Expenditures as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Public Comment: None

8. Public Hearing: None

9. New Business: None

10. Old Business:

- A. Parks Director John Corriveau provided a review of 2023 Winter Wonderland. The new location at the Farmers Market Pavilion was a great success. Other improvements included a lighted tunnel at main entrance, new movie screen, and face painting. Park Commissioner Branch asked whether the Roenicke Light show will return next year and how to incorporate with the new layout. Sova suggested the option of using Diamond #1 for the light show.

11. Reports:

- A. Receive and file the Parks and Recreation Report. Corriveau added he did not receive the acquisition grant for the purchase of the Trinklein parcel and will be looking into new funding options.
- B. Receive and file the Nature Center & Preserve Report. Thayer announced that Thomas Township Parks & Recreation Nature Center was selected by mParks (Michigan Recreation & Park Association) as a 2023-2024 Facility Design Award winner.

12. Other Business: None

13. Adjournment: Motion made by Aimar, seconded by Blower to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Craig Aimar, Secretary

Dated

The next regular Park Commission Meeting will be Monday, January 22, 2024 at the Public Safety Administration Building, 8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw MI 48609.